

Amendments to the Claims

1. (Currently amended) A reclosable bag for storing material, comprising:
  - a standup bag configured to store material, the bag having a top end having a heat seal and a bottom end having a generally ovoid shape for resting the reclosable bag upright;[;][];]  
first and second side edges on opposite sides of the reclosable bag, each extending between the top and bottom endsand opposite each other, wherein the first side edge has a non-gusseted portion that is proximate located near the top end, forming an acute included angle with the top end and being substantially perpendicular to and longer than the bottom end, and  
a pour spout[;]; located along the non-gusseted portion and oriented substantially parallel to the first side edge, the pour spout having a reclosable fastener which provides access to a reclosable opening and which includes either a zipper or a slider, the reclosable opening being substantially vertical when the reclosable bag is in a generally upright position.  
wherein the first side edge has a non-gusseted portion, the non-gusseted portion located proximate to the top end and substantially perpendicular to the bottom end, and the first side edge has a length greater than a length of the bottom end;  
wherein the pour spout has a reclosable fastener having at least one of a zipper or a slider, the pour spout and the reclosable fastener located along the non-gusseted portion of the first side edge and oriented substantially parallel to the first side edge;

~~wherein the reclosable fastener has sealed first and second ends and an opening therebetween, the sealed ends and the opening located along the non-gusseted portion of the first side edge;~~

~~wherein the reclosable fastener is located closer to the top end than to the bottom end;~~

~~wherein the top end and the reclosable fastener of the first side edge have an included angle less than 90 degrees; and~~

~~wherein the bag is configured to rest upon the bottom end.~~

2. (Cancelled)

3. (Withdrawn) The reclosable bag of claim 1 wherein the reclosable fastener extends beyond the first side edge so as to facilitate pouring the material from the bag.

4. (Canceled).

5. (Withdrawn) The reclosable bag of claim 1 wherein the second side edge is a gusseted side edge configured to expand so as to facilitate storing the material within the bag.

6. (Withdrawn) The reclosable bag of claim 5 wherein the bottom end further has a generally triangular shape.

7. (Withdrawn) The reclosable bag of claim 5 wherein the first side edge is a gusseted side edge configured to expand so as to facilitate storing the material within the bag.

8. (Withdrawn) The reclosable bag of claim 7 wherein the bottom end further has a

generally rectangular shape.

9. (Withdrawn) The reclosable bag of claim 7 wherein the bottom end further includes a plurality of folds configured to support the bag, the bag further comprising a lower portion proximate to the bottom end, the lower portion of the bag being folded so as to create the plurality of folds.

10. (Previously Presented) The reclosable bag of claim 1 wherein the bag further includes a sealed portion proximate to the top end, the sealed portion assisting in directing the material so as to increase control over flow of the material through the pour spout.

11. (Withdrawn) The reclosable bag of claim 1 wherein the first side edge and the bottom end have an included angle measuring greater than 90 degrees.

12. (Withdrawn) The reclosable bag of claim 1 wherein the first side edge is a gusseted side edge, the pour spout further including the gusseted side edge so as to facilitate pouring the material from the bag.

13. (Currently amended) A self-supporting reclosable bag for storing material, comprising:

a standup bag configured to store material, the bag including:

a top end having a heat seal;

a bottom end having a generally ovoid shape and configured to for supporting the bag in a generally upright position;

first and second side edges on opposite sides of the reclosable bag each extending

between the top and bottom ends, the first side edge (a) having a non-gusseted portion; the non-gusseted portion located proximate to the top end and (b) being substantially perpendicular to and longer than the bottom end, and the second side edge opposite the first side edge, the first side edge having a length greater than a length of the bottom end; and

a reclosable fastener provided over a reclosable opening located proximate to the top end, forming an included angle of less than 90 degrees, [[and]] being closer to the top end than to the bottom end and being substantially vertical when the bag is in the generally upright position, the reclosable opening having a reclosable fastener that is fastener including at least one of a zipper or a slider and having sealed first and second ends, the sealed ends located along, and substantially parallel to, the first side edge, and

a pour spout, wherein the reclosable fastener and the pour spout are further located along the non-gusseted portion of the first side edge;\*

wherein the top end and the reclosable fastener of the first side edge have an included angle less than 90 degrees.

14. (Canceled)

15. (Withdrawn) The reclosable bag of claim 13 wherein the reclosable opening extends beyond the first side edge so as to facilitate pouring the material from the bag.

16. (Canceled).

17. (Withdrawn) The reclosable bag of claim 13 wherein the second side edge is a

gusseted side edge configured to expand so as to facilitate storing the material within the bag.

18. (Withdrawn) The reclosable bag of claim 17 wherein the bottom end further has a generally triangular shape.

19. (Withdrawn) The reclosable bag of claim 17 wherein the first side edge is a gusseted side edge configured to expand so as to facilitate storing the material within the bag.

20. (Withdrawn) The reclosable bag of claim 19 wherein the bottom end further has a generally rectangular shape.

21. (Withdrawn) The reclosable bag of claim 19 wherein the bottom end further includes a plurality of folds configured to support the bag, the bag further comprising a lower portion proximate to the bottom end, the lower portion of the bag being folded so as to create the plurality of folds.

22. (Previously Presented) The reclosable bag of claim 13 wherein the bag further includes a sealed portion proximate to the top end, the sealed portion assisting in directing the material so as to increase control over flow of the material through the pour spout.

23. (Withdrawn) The reclosable bag of claim 13 wherein the first side edge and the bottom end have an included angle measuring greater than 90 degrees.

24. (Withdrawn) The reclosable bag of claim 13 wherein the first side edge is a gusseted side edge, the pour spout further including the gusseted side edge so as to facilitate pouring the material from the bag.

25-31. (Cancelled)

32. (Previously Presented) The reclosable bag of claim 1 wherein the pour spout further includes a tear strip proximate to the reclosable fastener.

33. (Previously Presented) The reclosable bag of claim 13 wherein the bag further comprises a tear strip proximate to the reclosable opening.